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Tuckerman's Ravine by L. M. Underwood and correctly determined by him. Prof. L. W. Riddle has kindly looked through the Cryptogamic Herbarium of Harvard University, the Herbarium of the New England Botanical Club and the personal collection of the late Professor Farlow and reports no specimens from the White Mts., the only eastern ones being from Newfoundland (Waghorne) and the one from Mt. Katahdin, Maine collected by J. F. Collins July 8, 1900 and recorded in Rhodora, iii, 180, 182 (1901). The specimen from Mt. Marcy, New York was collected by Mrs. E. G. Britton, Aug. 29, 1892.— A. LEROY ANDREWS, Ithaca, New York.

RANUNCULUS BORAEANUS IN EASTERN NEW YORK.— Very early in the spring of 1919. I noted, in a meadow numerous plants which had finely dissected leaves. As these leaves were unlike any I could recall, careful watch was kept of them. By the last of April the blossom-stalk proved the plant to be a *Ranunculus*. The first week in May the first blossom opened. The plant resembled *Ranunculus acris* L., but flowered earlier, was less stout, had finely dissected leaves, little pubescence, and that appressed, and a very short beak

to the achene.

A specimen was sent to Harvard and pronounced to be *Ranunculus Boraeanus* Jordan, a species of continental Europe, the appearance of which has not before been noted in America. "It is considered by some authors as doubtfully distinct from *Ranunculus acris* L." but Professor Fernald, after giving the points of difference, notes: "Your point that with you it flowers so very much earlier than *Ranunculus acris* L. also seems to indicate that it is a fairly marked species." — ORRA PARKER PHELPS, Gansevoort, New York.

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